

**Senate File 2138 - Introduced**

SENATE FILE 2138  
BY COMMITTEE ON VETERANS  
AFFAIRS

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 3127)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act making appropriations to the commission of veterans  
2 affairs for the provision of veterans services, and  
3 including effective date provisions.  
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 35A.13, subsection 4, Code Supplement  
2 2011, is amended to read as follows:

3 4. The minimum balance of the trust fund required prior  
4 to expenditure of moneys from the trust fund is five million  
5 dollars. Once the minimum balance is reached, the interest and  
6 earnings on the fund and ~~any moneys received under subsection~~  
7 ~~2, paragraph "a",~~ the first three hundred thousand dollars  
8 transferred each fiscal year pursuant to section 99G.9A from  
9 the lottery fund to the trust fund are appropriated to the  
10 commission to be used to achieve the purposes of this section.  
11 Moneys appropriated to the commission that remain unobligated  
12 or unexpended at the end of each fiscal year shall revert to  
13 the trust fund. It is the intent of the general assembly that  
14 the balance in the trust fund reach fifty million dollars.

15 Sec. 2. COMMISSION OF VETERANS AFFAIRS. There is  
16 appropriated from the veterans trust fund, created in section  
17 35A.13, to the commission of veterans affairs for the fiscal  
18 year beginning July 1, 2011, and ending June 30, 2012, to be  
19 used for the purposes stated in section 35A.13, subsection 6,  
20 the following amount:

21 ..... \$ 300,000

22 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT. The following provision  
23 or provisions of this Act, being deemed of immediate  
24 importance, take effect upon enactment:

25 1. The section of this Act making an appropriation to the  
26 commission of veterans affairs for the fiscal year beginning  
27 July 1, 2011.

28 EXPLANATION

29 This bill makes appropriations from the veterans trust  
30 fund to the commission of veterans affairs to be used for the  
31 provision of veterans services.

32 Current law provides for the appropriation of the interest  
33 and earnings from the veterans trust fund and certain other  
34 moneys received in the trust fund pursuant to Code section  
35 35A.13(2)(a) to the commission. The bill removes the language

1 appropriating moneys pursuant to Code section 35A.13(2)(a),  
2 but appropriates the first \$300,000 that is transferred into  
3 the trust fund each fiscal year from the lottery fund pursuant  
4 to Code section 99G.9A, to the commission for the provision of  
5 such in veterans services.

6 The bill requires that moneys appropriated to the commission  
7 that remain unobligated or unexpended at the end of each fiscal  
8 year shall revert to the veterans trust fund.

9 The bill also provides for a one-time appropriation of  
10 \$300,000 from the trust fund to the commission for the fiscal  
11 year beginning July 1, 2011, and ending June 30, 2012, in order  
12 to provide certain veterans services pursuant to Code section  
13 35A.13(6). The section of the bill appropriating moneys to  
14 the commission for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011, and  
15 ending June 30, 2012, is effective upon enactment.